



First Baptist Church West Columbia

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THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 6 AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

9:00 A.M.

Sunday School Breakfast in Burriss Hall

11 A.M.

Dr. Don Bishop preaching
“ Lord of Failures”

Luke 5, Luke 9, Matthew 16:13-19, John 13, John 18 and John 21

4:00 P.M. Church Council
(note time change for this month only!)

6:00 p.m.

WORSHIP WITH HOLLAND AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

On this evening, The SC Baptist Singing Churchmen will be presenting a concert. Holland Avenue Pastor Charles Wilson has invited First Baptist to worship with them for this event, and we have accepted. We will be moving our evening service to Holland Avenue for this evening. This concert begins a Spring Tour for the Singing Churchmen and is their only Columbia-area concert this year. Charlton Bozard serves as accompanist for the group. Don't miss this special worship experience!



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Take a look at our updated website. Several folks have been hard at work updating and adding information.

Rich Wandover has uploaded Dr. Bishop's sermons from Palm Sunday and Easter; they can now be heard online. (Be sure to turn your volume up; we are still learning!)

Lori Loftis has been busy updating information on the site.

Charlton Bozard has added a gallery of pictures from Palm Sunday (taken by Mark Simpson) and from Easter Sunday (taken by Allison Fowler). Check them out!

The Tie Binder is also available online and for email delivery. Go to the newsletter section of the website (under "Resources") to sign up for e-mail delivery.

The website is a work in progress and will be updated each week with sermons, the Tie Binder, and information about upcoming events. Visit often. Your comments are welcome!

DR. DON BISHOP
INTERIM PASTOR

CHARLTON BOZARD
MUSIC/ADULT ACTIVITIES

REN BRAY
EDUCATION/YOUTH
MINISTRIES

DR. LONNIE SHULL
PASTOR EMERITUS



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Sunday

- 9:30 am Library open
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Worship
- 5:30 pm Library open
- 6:00 pm Evening Worship

Wednesday

- 5:30 Supper/ Library open
- 6:00 pm Children/Youth Activities start
- 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting
- 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir



As we enter the 'transition process', let me urge each member to realize that this must be a team effort and that we only accomplish when everyone accomplishes. There are several characteristics that I believe are essential goals for our church to achieve and I'll be talking about them over the next few weeks.

The first essential to healthy church is 'a positive attitude'. Donald Gerig said, "Growing churches emphasize what God can do, not what we cannot do; what is best in people, not what is worst; how we can build each other up, not tear each other down".

Don't you like to be around positive people and live in a positive surrounding? Positive folks seem to bring out the best in others and their attitude becomes contagious. Creating a positive attitude is something that each member can do; you don't have to be talented, smart, rich, or a Biblical genius. It just takes an effort and the rewards are amazing! Try it and let me know what you think.

Remember our song: He is able, more than able...

Have a great week.

Don Bishop



FROM THE TRANSITION TEAM

Rev. Don Bishop presented a Transition Process to the Church on February 10, 2008 and the Church voted to follow the process. The Transition Interim Ministry goal is to use the transition time as a time of healing, direction finding and establishing God's Purpose for our church. The Transition Team has studied the process with the help of Rev. Bishop and will continue to work with Rev. Bishop and the committees as we go through the various tasks.

The five tasks in the Transition Process are:

- Coming to Terms with our History.
- Review Leadership and Decision making processes.
- Review and understand denominational and external relations.
- Congregational Identity.
- Review evaluation and goal setting.

When these tasks have been completed, the church will have a Church Profile and be ready to secure a Pastor Search Team.

The first task, "Coming to terms with our History", is foundational for all other tasks. The purpose of this task is for the church to look back in order to look forward. The History Committee is the first committee and this task is starting immediately. The committee's first meeting was Tuesday, April 1, 2008. The following members are serving on this Committee:

Lori Loftis, Chairman
Amelia Schafer
Virginia Hill
Pat Fulmer
Melissa Wandover
Allan Murray
Bryan Jeffcoat

In addition, many other church members will be asked to assist this committee.

The Transition Team will continue to update the church on a regular basis. Please continue to pray for the Transition Team, Committees and Rev. Bishop as he leads us through this process.

Transition Team: Terry Smith, Bob Price, Greg Shepherd, Bob Hazel, Jack Hill and Len Hill

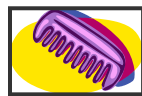
Health Ministry Kits

It's time again for Health Ministry Kits.

The cost is \$7.00 .

Each kit contains:

- 1 toothbrush
- 1 toothpaste
- 1 soap 4.5 oz.
- 1 wash cloth
- 1 hand towel
- 1 comb



Deadline is April 13. If you have any questions please contact Brenda Brown, 739-5689 or Joyce Crider, 794-5991.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

The Preschool Committee will sponsor a Parents Night Out on Saturday, April 12 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Age appropriate activities will be planned for children ages birth-12. Dinner will be provided at a cost of \$2.00 per child. Please call the church office to make a reservation for your child.

If you would like to help with activities for the children please contact Amelia Schafer (755-7229) or Sallie Bozard (951-8975).



In Loving Memory
Larry Burgess
August 24, 1941 - March 28, 2008



THANKS, Young Musicians for singing (and ringing) so beautifully in worship yesterday. Your music was a blessing to all who attended. Thanks also to Sanctuary Choir and Dina Taylor for a beautiful presentation of “Lily of My Valley”.

SPRING GARDEN TOUR

Charleston and Orangeburg on Tuesday, April 15

48 are signed up for this trip. If you have not paid your deposit, please do so as soon as possible.

**YOUTH MUSIC ACTIVITY
THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 4**

Our youth will be joining with youth from Broadacres, Green Hill, Holland Avenue, Lexington and Trinity Baptist Churches to present “Made to Worship”. We will begin with a big pizza supper/rehearsal on Friday April 4 from 6:30—9:00 p.m. at Lexington Baptist Church. **We will leave the church at 6 p.m. on Friday.** Call me if you have questions.

Charlton

From the Church Mouse:



Congratulations to Lonnie and Hazel Shull, who will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Friday, April 4.

Jordan Hutto has been accepted into the South Carolina Army National Guard and the Recruitment Sustainment Program. He will be with Company F and stationed at McEntire ANG. He will report for basic training at the first part of June. Jordan Hutto is the grandson of Mike and Faye Hutto. We are proud of you.

Brianna Taylor competed in the International Dance Challenge (IDC) competition and received the following awards: First Place Gold award for her Musical Theatre portrayal of Annie in “Hard Knock Life” and First Place Gold award for Hip Hop. She also received First Place Gold honors for her Solo Ballet, qualifying her as a Semi Finalist for the IDC National Title in Boston, MA. This competition will take place on July 29, 2008.

Laura Russo is stationed at Lackland Air Force Base. If you would like to write to her, her address is:

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**LIGHTHOUSE
STUDENT MINISTRIES**

**Sunday School Breakfast
Sunday April 6th 9 a.m. – Burris Hall.**

This will be a chance for you to meet the new leadership team in Sunday School and also receive important information. The meeting will only last about 30 minutes and breakfast will be included. All Sunday School leaders are urged to be there (directors, teachers, outreach coordinators, etc.) If you cannot attend, please select a representative from your class to attend in your place.

**Sunday School Done Right by Allan Taylor.
Led by Ren Bray
Saturday April 19th 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Continental breakfast & lunch provided.**

We will meet in Burris Hall to experience this training event. This training is for anyone currently involved in Sunday School Leadership or interested in becoming involved. Allan Taylor is one of the foremost authors and speakers in the area of Sunday School training. Some of the topics that will be covered are: Outreach, Teaching, and Ministering to Your Sunday School Class. You can register in the church office or in your Sunday School class. If you have any questions please contact Jim Shealy, Melissa Wandover, or Ren Bray. I look forward to our time together and a great future for First Baptist Church of West Columbia.

Ren Bray



The First Baptist Church Family and Staff extend Christian love and sympathy to:

...the family of Larry Burgess
...Debbie Prince in the loss of her grandmother, Vernell Plowman.



We will be honoring our graduates in May. If someone in your household is graduating from high school, college, or any institution of higher learning, please notify Ren Bray or the church office.



**National Goal:
\$61 million**

**FBC GOAL:
\$6,000**

**Received to date:
\$3,943.84**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

April 6 - 12, 2008

Sunday, April 6

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Breakfast
- 9:30 to 9:45 a.m. B P Screening
- 9:30 a.m. Library Open
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 4:00 p.m. Church Council
- 6:00 p.m. Worship at Holland Avenue Baptist

Tuesday, April 8

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:00 a.m. Gertrude Ross Group
- 6:30 p.m. VBS Training, Lexington Baptist Church
- 7:00 p.m. Josephine Hair Group

Wednesday, April 9

- 4:30 p.m. Piece Makers
- 5:30 p.m. Supper
Library opens
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Lighthouse
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choirs
- 6:30 p.m. Missions Friends Birth—2
- 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- 6:45 p.m. Missions Friends 3,4 & 5
- 6:45 p.m. RA's & GA's
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 10

- 9:00 a.m. Life Exercise
- 10:30 a.m. Mildred Taylor Prayer Group
- 11:00 a.m. Jubilant Singers

Saturday, April 12

- 5 - 8 p.m. Parent's Night Out

**VITAL SIGNS
March 30, 2008**

Sunday School	162
In-Home	41
Helping Hands	98
Hope Bridge	-
National Health Care	22
Total in Bible Study	225

SPECIAL MINISTRIES

April 13

HEALTH MINISTRY

Brenda Brown

EXT. TEACHING CARE

Coordinator: Sallie Bozard

11:00 a.m. Worship

Babies and Ones

Melissa Wandover, Dorothy Thompson
Sara Frances Watson

Twos and Threes

Allison and Bryan Jeffcoat

SOUND

Rich Wandover

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETERS

Snyder Building

Ann & Mike Jeffcoat

Burriss Building

Gerry Berry & Vivian Summer

Front Lower Level

Virginia & Jack Hill

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MATERIAL
DO NOT DELAY!**



Make every effort
to keep the unity of
the Spirit through
the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:3



**Pray for These
Hospitalized
Members:**

as of Tuesday,
April 1

There are no hospitalized
church members.
Praise the Lord!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in Burriss Hall
Deadline for reservations and cancellations
is noon Monday.



Adults (10 & Up) \$4.00

Children 4 & under FREE

April 9
Chicken Tenders
Mac/Cheese
Green Beans
Rolls and Dessert

Children (5-9) \$3.00

Pray every day for our church!